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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Shigeru HOYASHITA et al.

Group Art Unit: 3715

Application No.: 10/798,274

Examiner: C. HARRIS

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**SMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired October 31, 2006, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 186843 in the amount of \$60.00 in payment for:

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